

THE DIRECTOR OF
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Mr. Tony Dolan
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The White House

Dear Tony:

These books are yours to keep. Each is among the 10 greatest books that I have ever read, and I hope that you will read them soon. I was so impressed by Christabel Bielenberg's The Past Is Myself that when last in London I purchased several copies, so I could give them away to friends. Out Of The Night, Jan Valtin's incomparable memoir of the Comintern, was the US publishing sensation of 1941. I've checked into this, and there were literally fist fights in New York book stores among those who wanted the book and those who wanted it suppressed. I am told that first editions are coming to be worth something, so this copy should assure you comfortable retirement.



Herbert E. Meyer